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I might. Now you said that it ties in with all the other systems? Is it the desire to tie it in with all the other systems?

SENATOR GOODRICH: Are you asking me a question, now?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Yes.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Oh, okay, restate the question then.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: The question I raised at at least one or two of the meetings I attended was the full utilization of the statewide computer systems that we have and I use the word system advisedly because that is what we have. We have systems. We do not have one unified system, and if we are moving, we should have a total unified system. Now is this what this is going to do?

SENATOR GOODRICH: This is exactly what this ultimately is going to do.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Based on the plans I have seen that is not totally correct.

SENATOR GOODRICH: As of January 1, it is supposed to be completely done.

SENATOR SAVAGE: The Chair recognizes Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: I wonder if Senator Clark or Senator Goodrich, whoever, would explain to me again. Senator Marvel indicated this would enable us to count the number of employees, how much they are being paid. That half a million sounds like a lot to do that.

SENATOR CLARK: Would you ask the question, again? They were talking here.

SENATOR WARNER: I am sorry. Senator Clark, I was wondering. I understood Senator Marvel to indicate that this half a million dollars is going to count the number of employees and how much they are getting paid. This sounds like a lot of money. Is that all it does? What else does it do?

SENATOR CLARK: Actually, they will have all the information on every employee, the grade of the employee, what they make, the hourly wage, the type of employment they have, what their job description is and they also write checks on this same information, about 30,000 checks a month, because they do it bi-monthly or monthly. Without that, they are going to have to go back to write the checks the other way.

SENATOR WARNER: You mean by hand?

SENATOR CLARK: I don't know whether they do it by hand but they do it by machine, some other machine besides the computer.